

# **Cochise County Sheriff**

Office Report for Incident 18-42291

**Nature: DEATH UNATTEND** 

Address: 2571 E Cowan Ln

Location: 6P

Tombstone AZ 85638

Offense Codes: M046

Received By: MVan Kirk

How Received: 9

Agency: CCSO

Responding Officers: JMonroe, TFair, MSharp, RCleveland, SMiller, DPacker

Responsible Officer: JMonroe

Disposition: CLO 01/10/19

When Reported: 13:03:05 12/06/18

Occurred Between: 13:00:17 12/06/18 and 13:00:36 12/06/18

**Assigned To:** 

Detail:

Date Assigned: \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

Status:

Status Date: \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

Due Date: \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

Complainant: 141557

Last: Maloney

First: Kara

Mid: Kaleigh

Race: W

Sex: F

City: Tombstone, AZ 85638

**Offense Codes** 

Reported: TA04 Traffic Accident, Pers Injury

Observed: M046 Death Investigations

Additional Offense: M046 Death Investigations

Circumstances

MOR Miscellaneous Offense report

LT20 Residence/Home

ACCI Accident

**Responding Officers:** 

Unit:

**JMonroe** 

C631

**TFair** 

C151

CK22

**MSharp** 

**RCleveland SMiller** 

C633 C634

**DPacker** 

C805

Responsible Officer: JMonroe

Received By: MVan Kirk

How Received: 9911 Line

When Reported: 13:03:05 12/06/18

Judicial Status: NCI

Agency: CCSO

Last Radio Log: \*\*:\*\*:\*\* \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

Clearance: RBS Reviewed By Sgt.

Disposition: CLO Date: 01/10/19

Occurred between: 13:00:17 12/06/18

Misc Entry: cmplt

and: 13:00:36 12/06/18

Modus Operandi:

Day of Week
Time of Day
Scene

**Description:** 

Preferred Day of Week Preferred Time of Day Type of Crime Scene Method:

Thursday Day

Yard

### **Involvements**

Date	Туре	Description	Relationship
12/07/18	Name	Richardson, Nathan Charles	Person Mentioned
12/06/18	Name	Mitchell, Ray Lee	Person Mentioned
12/06/18	Name	Bales, David Lee	Person Mentioned
12/06/18	Name	Maloney, Kara Kaleigh	Complainant
12/06/18	Name	Maloney, Bradley JOE	Victim
12/06/18	Name	Crumb, Matthew Alan	Person Mentioned
12/06/18	Vehicle	MAR 1995 OLDS CUT AZ	Vehicle Involved
12/06/18	Cad Call	13:03:05 12/06/18 ACC/PP INJURY	<b>Initiating Call</b>
01/10/19	Evidence	Pima Co. OME	Evidence Incident

#### **Narrative**

SYNOPSIS:

On 12-06-18 Bradley Maloney was accidentally killed when the jack stands holding up the car he was working under collapsed. Bradley was extricated by first responders, but all attempts to resuscitate him failed. Bradley was pronounced dead at the scene, located at 2571 E. Cowan Ln., Tombstone AZ.

#### NARRATI VE:

On 12-06-18, at approximately 1303 hours, Kara Maloney reported a car had fallen on her husband (Bradley Maloney) and he was not responding to her. Kara stated this incident occurred at their residence located at 2571 E. Cowan Ln. (Tombstone AZ/county jurisdiction).

It was not known how long Bradley was trapped, but Kara later stated it had been approximately one and a half hours between the time she last saw him alive, and the time she found him.

Responding agencies were Tombstone Marshall's Office (TMO), Tombstone Fire Department (TFD), Lifeline 8 (medical air asset/St. David AZ), Whetstone Fire Department (WFD), and Cochise County Sheriff's Office (CCSO).

Due to my location (I-10 MM 303) at the time of call, I had an approximately 25 minute response (Code 3) time. During my response I learned the following:

- Two TMO units (T710 and T722) were responding from Tombstone (closest units)
- Two CCSO units (C151 [Paramedic] and CK22) were responding from Patrol Area One (1P/Sierra Vista AZ)

- Three CCSO units (myself, C633 and C634) were responding from Patrol Area Six (6P/Benson AZ). C633 would be cancelled enroute and C634 would be cancelled upon arrival
- Healthcare Innovations (HCI) did not have an available ambulance, so
   WFD's ambulance (M321/closest) would be responding
- Lifeline 8 would be enroute to the TFD helipad
- Geronimo (CCSO air asset/previously airborne) was responding to locate closest landing zone (LZ) for Lifeline 8
- T710 and T722 reported on scene (first) and confirmed subject entrapment at approximately 1308 hours
- T722 reported subject was freed and CPR had been initiated at approximately 1313 hours
- TFD (Rescue 311 and Squad 311) arrived on scene at approximately 1319 hours
- C151 reported on scene at approximately 1322 hours, followed by CK22 at approximately 1324 hours
- I arrived on scene at approximately 1324 hours

2571 E. Cowan Ln. consisted of an approximately 62' x 15' single-wide trailer located approximately center of an approximately quarter acre lot (bordered on the west by N. Ornate Rd.).

Approximately 35' to the south of the south west corner of the trailer was an approximately 20' x 12' aluminum carport-style sunshade with no floor (just the natural soil). At the east end of the sunshade was an approximately 12' x 8' shed (opening towards the sun shade). It was this area Bradley used as a workshop for working on cars (the "scene").

Upon my arrival I observed a maroon in color, late model, Oldsmobile Cutlass station wagon (AZ BGD3597) parked approximately halfway under the sunshade (nosed in). Near the front of the car I observed first responders performing CPR on Bradley.

I had been advised Bradley had been found laying on his back, his head towards the rear, with most of his body under the car. It was believed Bradley had been pinned under the car with the oil pan compressing his chest.

At that time, approximately 1326 hours, C151 requested I respond to the TFD helipad and pick-up Lifeline 8's medical personnel (an LZ near the scene had not been established yet). When I arrived at the TFD helipad I was informed by one of Lifeline 8's crew members that an LZ had just been established and they would be flying directly to the scene area. I responded back to the scene.

Upon my arrival back to the scene I observed WFD's M321 had arrived (approximately 1335 hours). I was then advised that Bradley had been pronounced dead (Dr. Miller/ Canyon Vista Hospital, Sierra Vista AZ) at approximately 1341 hours. Shortly afterwards Lifeline 8, TFD Rescue 311 and TFD Squad 311 were released from the scene. WFD M321 had been released but had been called back to the scene to assist some of Bradley's family members who were passing out.

(All position descriptors [i.e. left, right, front, back, etc.], in the following observations, are based on the position of the car.)

At that time I was able to examine the scene. I observed the car was currently being held up by a floor jack and wood cribbing blocks on the right side, and the front left brake disk was resting on a piece of concrete atop a tire rim). An engine hoist was also at the front of the car, but was not attached to anything. I was advised the above listed items had all been utilized by first responder's and local civilian personnel (Ray Mitchell, David Bales and Matthew Crumb).

On the right side of the car, approximately two feet behind the front tire, I observed a jack stand laying on its side ("pointing" to the left). Adjacent to the base (to the right) of the jack stand was square indentation in the soil (there was no floor under the sun shade) which matched the base of this jack stand. The indentation was deeper on the left side than on the right (unequal loading).

On the left side of the car, approximately two feet behind where the front tire should be, I observed a jack stand, still in contact with the ground and car, but leaning to the left at an approximately 45 degree angle. The left side of the base was pressed into the soil making the right side of the base break contact with the ground.

Based upon my observations of the scene, it appeared the car's weight was not sufficiently centered on the jack stands. Additionally, no footing material (i.e. wooden board) was used under the jack stands to distribute the weight of the load.

The lack of footing material placed the entire load on the relatively thin base of the two jack stands. The weight of the car slowly caused the base edges of the jack stands to dig into the soil beneath them. This, plus the load being off center (erred to the left), caused the car to shift to the left until it slipped off the jack stands while Bradley was under the front of the car.

The following is a breakdown of events based on information provided by Kara, emergency responders, and civilians Ray Mitchell (neighbor), David Bales (Kara's father) and Matthew Crumb (neighbor).

- At approximately 1130 hours Kara sees Bradley go out to work on a car
- At approximately 1300 hours Kara goes outside and finds Bradley under the car and unresponsive. Kara calls 911
- T710 and T722 are first to arrive on scene
- They are followed up almost immediately by Ray and Matthew, who were in a truck together, and David. All three stated they were alarmed by the lights and sirens of the TMO units, and followed to see what was going on
- After the incident was assessed, Matthew grabbed a floor jack from the back of Ray's truck and brought it to the right side of the car
- David placed the floor jack behind the right front tire and began raising the car
- After dropping of the floor jack, Matthew went around to the front of

the car and assisted T710 with pulling Bradley out from underneath it

- T710 and T722 initiated CPR and continued it until the arrival of TFD personnel, who took over, and subsequently WFD's M321 who continued it
- At some point Matthew placed the tire rim with concrete piece under the left front brake disk
- CPR continued until WFD personnel, via Dr. Miller, pronounced time of death

After the interviews I contacted the Pima County Medical Examiner's Office (OME) to report the death and conditions surrounding it. After providing the OME investigator with the pertinent information needed, he authorized the removal of Bradley's body (ML #18-3032/1420 hours).

The family members had no preference on funeral homes, so SEACOM was requested to respond the next one on rotation (Richardson's Mortuary [Benson AZ] contacted at 1422 hours). At approximately 1509 hours Nathan Richardson arrived on scene to recover Bradley's body for transportation to OME for autopsy.

Family members were provided time to say goodbye to Bradley prior to him being removed from the scene.

At this time I have taken no further actions in this case. Any further information and/or attachments (i.e. digital images) will be documented in supplemental reports for inclusion in this case file. This case will remain active pending receipt of OME report.

Dep. J. Monroe #0727

#### Supplement

DR #18-42291 Deputy Thomas J Fair/1313 Unattended Death December 06, 2018 Supplemental Report

On 12-6-18 at approximately 1303 hours I saw on the Computer Aided Dispatch screen and heard the dispatch for a report of a man trapped under his car not responding, located at 2771 E Cowan Lane, Tombstone, AZ.

I responded from the area of Highway 90 and Colonia De Salud code 3, lights and siren.

Enroute I requested SECOM to put a Medical helicopter on standby and notify the responding Ambulance service that one is on standby. I was notified the responsible Ambulance service did not have an ambulance to respond and Whetstone Fire would be responding. I requested SECOM launch the medical helicopter.

Tombstone Fire Department and Tombstone Marshals Officers arrived on scene and extracted the victim, later identified as Bradley Maloney- , and CPR was in progress.

Upon my arrival I obtained my First aid kit and cardiac monitor. Upon approaching the scene, I saw a yard with various vehicle inside in different stages of repair, a mobile home on the North side of the yard and a shed and a covered work area on the South side of the yard. Under the shaded work area was a maroon colored car, it appeared to be leaning towards the driver's side, some of the Fire personal were blocking the vehicle up so it would not fall. I heard the AED activating in the CPR mode. I walked to the front of the maroon car and found

the victim lying on his back in front of the right front head light area of the car with

TMO T. Madden stated it was unknown how long the vehicle was on top of the victim. When TMO and TFD arrived, the patient was under the vehicle, front cross member was lying across his chest and he was not breathing. A person arrived with a floor jack and lifted the vehicle and the victim was pulled out from under the vehicle. He was unconscious and not breathing. He stated they started CPR.

I requested to the CCSO Chaplin respond.

I connected my heart monitor/defibrillator and connected the electrodes, the monitor showed Asystole in Leads I, II, III. This was not a shockable (defibrillate) rhythm.

Case Deputy J. Monroe arrived and assisted with the incident.

Whetstone Fire Department Ambulance arrived. I gave them a brief of the incident. They went to conduct an exam of the patient.

Tombstone Fire Chief was contacting the Base Hospital, Canyon Vista Medical Center, and started given a medical report. After I was done briefing the ambulance crew I was given the phone by The TFD chief and gave a medical report to CVMC. During the report, Whetstone Paramedics confirmed the patient was in Asystole in three leads. I informed CVMC and Dr. Miller gave the time of death as 1341. All resuscitative efforts stopped.

Whetstone Fire Department was released from the scene.

During the incident I was also trying to request CCSO Geronimo to find a landing zone for LifeLine 1. After LifeLine 1 was in the area Geronimo left the area. I was also attempting to talk to LifeLine 1 to give a patient update. After the resuscitative efforts stopped LifeLine 1 was notified of the situation and they were released from the scene.

Tombstone Fire Chief made family contact and notification.

Deputy Sharp took digital photos.

I assisted with allowing the family to see the patient.

I assisted with scene security.

Tombstone Fire personal advised two of the family members were not feeling well and to have Whetstone Fire Department ambulance return for an evaluation and possible transport to the hospital. I contacted SECOM and requested WFD ambulance to return.

I assisted with WFD examinations of the family members, both refused transport and were released to family members.

I assisted the case Deputy, J Monroe, with any further information needs.

I was released from the scene.

No other Law enforcement action taken.

Thomas J Fair/1313 Mon Dec 10 11:28:30 2018

#### Supplement

On 01-10-19 I received Bradley Maloney's External Examination Report from the Pima County Medical Examiner's Office (OME). The opinions of Dr. Eric Peters, M.D., Forensic Pathologist, are as follows (see External Examination Report for full details):

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Cause of Death: Traumatic asphyxia

Manner of Death: Accidental

Based on the OME findings this case will be closed with no further action needed.

Dep. J. Monroe #0727

## **Vehicles**

Vehicle Number: 143422

License Plate: BGD3597 License Type: PC Regular Passenger Automobile

State: AZ Expires: 05/31/20

Vehicle Year: 1995 VIN:

Make: OLDS Oldsmobile Model: CUT

Color: MAR / Doors: 4
Vehicle Type: PCAR Passenger Car Value: \$0.00

Owner:

Last: First: Mid:

Race: Sex: City: ,

Agency: Date Recov/Rcvd: \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

Officer: Area:

UCR Status: Wrecker Service: XVCB
Local Status: Storage Location:

Local Status: Storage Location:
Status Date: \*\*/\*\*\*

Release Date: \*\*/\*\*/\*\*

Comments:

## Name Involvements:

Victim: 245583

Last: Maloney First: Bradley Mid: JOE

Race: W Sex: M City: Tombstone, AZ 85638

Person 120105

Mentioned:

Last: Bales First: David Mid: Lee

Race: W Sex: M City: Tombstone, AZ 85638

Complainant: 141557

Last: Maloney First: Kara Mid: Kaleigh

Race: W Sex: F City: Tombstone, AZ 85638

Person38350

Mentioned:

Last: Mitchell First: Ray

Race: W

Sex: M

City: Tombstone, AZ 85638

Person278727

Mentioned:

Last: Crumb

First: Matthew

Mid: Alan

Race: W

Sex: M

City: Tombstone, AZ 85638

Person217188

Mentioned:

Last: Richardson

First: Nathan

Mid: Charles

Race: W

Sex: M

City: St. David, AZ 85630